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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2652**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kenji INAGE et al.

Group Art Unit: 2652

Application No.: 09/911,408

Examiner: B. Miller

Filed: July 25, 2001

Docket No.: 110199

For: MAGNETORESISTIVE DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME  
AND THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING  
SAME

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

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In reply to the October 8, 2003 Office Action, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**

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